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COMMUNICATIONS FROM PARTIES NOT INCLUDED IN ANNEX I TO THE CONVENTION

SECRETARIAT ACTIVITIES TO FACILITATE THE PROVISION OF FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT

Progress report

Addendum

1. According to Article 12.5 of the Convention, each Party not included in Annex I to the Convention shall make its initial communication within three years of the entry into force of the Convention for that Party, or of the availability of financial resources in accordance with Article 4.3. Parties that are least developed countries (LDCs) may make their initial communication at their discretion.

2. This document contains an overview of the current status of preparation of the initial national communications of Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention. It complements the report by the secretariat on its activities to facilitate the provision of financial and technical support to non-Annex Parties (FCCC/SBI/1998/INF.3).

3. The overview is presented as an annex to the present document and reflects the responses of non-Annex I Parties to a questionnaire sent by the secretariat, as well as information provided by the Global Environment Facility (GEF), its implementing agencies and bilateral programmes.

4. In order to provide the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) with the most up-to-date information, the present document has been finalized as late as possible and is made available to delegates as an in-session document in English only.

5. The status of preparation of initial national communications is as follows:

(a) Communications submitted: the initial national communications of eight Parties have been received so far in the following order: Jordan, Argentina, Uruguay, Mexico, Senegal, Federated States of Micronesia, Republic of Korea and Zimbabwe.

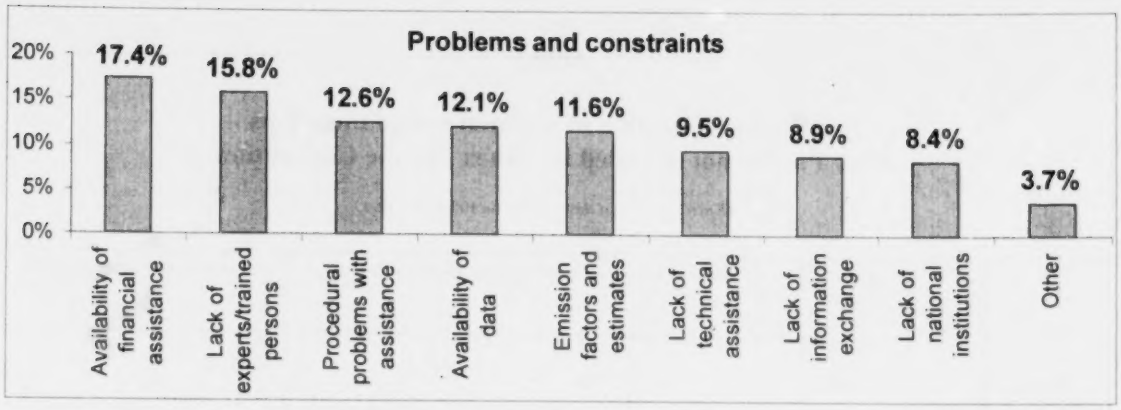
(b) Communications under preparation: 72 non-Annex I Parties are presently engaged in preparing their national communications. Of these, about 23 expect to submit the communications in the course of 1998, about 31 in 1999 and the rest within 2000 and 2001. Senegal and Mexico announced that they are in the process of preparation of their second national communication.

(c) Newly approved projects: 25 Parties have recently received approval for projects by the GEF for the preparation of communications, half of them within the past three months.

(d) Projects under preparation: 16 Parties are preparing projects for GEF funding approval.

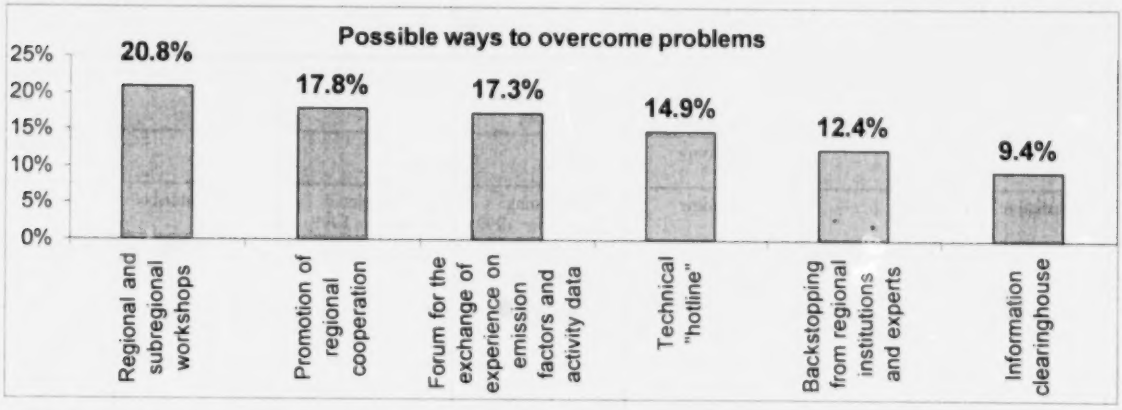
(e) No activities reported: one Party has not initiated any activities to prepare its national communication and no information relating to the preparation of communications was made available from another 12 Parties.

6. The above-mentioned questionnaire also contained questions aimed at identifying the main problems and constraints encountered by non-Annex I Parties in the preparation of the communications. The three most frequently cited problems and constraints to the preparation of national communications were: availability of financial assistance (17.4%), lack of experts and trained persons (15.8%) and procedural problems with assistance (12.6%). The following chart provides more details.



Source: answers to the questionnaire by 70 non-Annex I Parties

7. The main identified solutions as shown in the chart below were: organization of regional and subregional workshops (20.8%), promotion of regional cooperation (17.8%) and organization of a forum to exchange experience on emission factors and activity data (17.3%).



Source: answers to the questionnaire by 70 non-Annex I Parties

8. Parties are invited to update and amend the information provided in the annex. For this purpose the questionnaire will again be made available by the secretariat to all non-Annex I Parties.

Annex

Status of preparation of national communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention

(Entries for least developed countries in italics)

Party	Date of ratification	Indicated date of submission of national communication	Status of preparation of national communication			Institutional arrangements		
			General status	Greenhouse gas inventory	General description of steps	National focal point	Climate change committee	Expert technical team
Albania	3 Oct 1994		Ongoing (expected duration of work: 2 years)	To be initiated (expected duration of work: 2 years, base year: 1994)	A project proposal was completed in June 1996	✓	Proposed	Proposed
Algeria	9 Jun 1993	Aug 2000	Project under way			✓	Established	Proposed
Antigua and Barbuda	2 Feb 1993		Ongoing			✓		
Argentina	11 Mar 1994	Submission made in July 1997	First national communication finalized	Finalized (base years: 1990 and 1994)	Finalized		Established	Established
Armenia	14 May 1993		Ongoing					Established
Azerbaijan	16 May 1995		Ongoing	Ongoing (base year: 1990)	Completed (January 1997)	✓	Established	Proposed
Bahamas	29 Mar 1994	Late 1998	Ongoing (expected duration of work: 18 months)	To be initiated (expected duration of work: 18 months)	To be initiated	✓	Established	Established
Bahrain	28 Dec 1994	July 1999	Ongoing				Proposed	
Bangladesh	*15 Apr 1994*		*Project under preparation*	*Completed (July 1996)*	*Ongoing*	✓		*Established*
Barbados	23 Mar 1994		Project under way	To be initiated	To be initiated			
Belize	31 Oct 1994		Project under way	To be initiated (expected duration of work: one year, base year: 1994)	To be initiated (expected duration of work: one year)		Proposed	
Benin	*30 Jun 1994*	*September 1999*	*Ongoing*	*Completed (December 1997, base year: 1992)*	*Ongoing (expected date of completion: December 1998)*			*Established*
Bhutan	*25 Aug 1995*	*September 1999*	*Ongoing*	*Ongoing (expected date of completion: June 1998, base year: 1994)*		✓	*Established*	*Established*

Status of preparation of national communications (*continued*)

Party	Date of ratification	Indicated date of submission of national communication	Status of preparation of national communication			Institutional arrangements		
			General status	Greenhouse gas inventory	General description of steps	National focal point	Climate change committee	Expert technical team
Bolivia	3 Oct 1994		Project under preparation (expected duration of work: 15 months)	Completed (1997, base year: 1990)	Ongoing (expected date of completion: November 1999		Established	Established
Botswana	27 Jan 1994	1998	Ongoing	Completed (March 1998, base year: 1990)	To be initiated (expected duration of work: 24 months)	✓	Established	Established
Brazil	28 Feb 1994	Mid-1998	Ongoing			✓		
Burkina Faso	*2 Sep 1993*		*Ongoing*	*To be initiated*	*To be initiated*	✓	*Established*	*Established*
Burundi	*6 Jan 1997*							
Cambodia	*18 Dec 1995*		*Project under way (expected duration of work: 3 years)*	*To be initiated (expected duration of work: 3 years)*	*To be initiated (expected duration of work: 2 years)*	✓	*Proposed*	*Proposed*
Cameroon	19 Oct 1994	September 1998	Ongoing	Ongoing	Ongoing	✓	Established	Established
Cape Verde	*29 Mar 1995*		*Ongoing*					
Central African Republic	*10 Mar 1993*	*August 1999*	*Ongoing*	*Ongoing (expected date of completion: December 1998, base year 1994)*	*Ongoing (expected date of completion: August 1999)*	✓	*Established*	*Established*
Chad	*7 Jun 1994*		*Project under preparation*					
Chile	22 Dec 1994	1999	Ongoing	Ongoing (expected date of completion: October 1998, base year: 1994)	Ongoing	✓	Established	Proposed
China	5 Jan 1993		Ongoing	Ongoing		✓		
Colombia	22 Mar 1995		Ongoing			✓		Established
Comoros	*31 Oct 1994*	*August 1999*	*Project under preparation*				*Proposed*	*Proposed*
Congo	*14 Oct 1996*	*August 1999*	*Project under preparation*			✓		
Cook Islands	20 Apr 1993		Ongoing/PICCAP (expected duration of work: 3 years)	Ongoing (as part of PICCAP, expected duration of work: 1997-1999)	Ongoing (expected duration of work: 1997-1999)			
Costa Rica	26 Aug 1994	Mid-1998	Ongoing	Completed (September 1995, base year: 1990)	Ongoing	✓	Established	Established

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			General status	Greenhouse gas inventory	General description of steps	National focal point	Climate change committee	Expert technical team
Côte d'Ivoire	29 Nov 1994	August 1999	Ongoing	Ongoing			Established	Proposed
Cuba	5 Jan 1994	Second half of 1999	Ongoing	Ongoing (expected date of completion: June 1998)	Ongoing (expected date of completion: September 1999)	✓	Established	Established
Cyprus	15 Oct 1997					✓		
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	5 Dec 1994		Ongoing	Ongoing	To be initiated (expected duration of work: 2 months)	✓	Established	Established
Democratic Republic of the Congo	*9 Jan 1995*		*Ongoing (expected duration of work: 24 months)*	*To be initiated (expected duration of work: 12 months)*	*To be initiated (GHG mitigation programmes- expected duration of work: 8 months)*	✓	*Established*	*Proposed*
Djibouti	*27 Aug 1995*	*August 1999*	*Project under preparation*				*Established*	*Proposed*
Dominica	21 Jun 1993		Project under way				Proposed	
Ecuador	23 Feb 1993		Project under preparation	Ongoing	To be initiated	✓	Established	Established
Egypt	5 Dec 1994	July 1999	Ongoing	Ongoing (expected date of completion: July 1998, base year: 1990)	Ongoing (expected date of completion: July 1999)	✓	Established	Established
El Salvador	4 Dec 1995	March 1999	Ongoing	Ongoing (expected date of completion: June 1998)	Ongoing (expected date of completion: February 1999)		Established	Established
Eritrea	*24 Apr 1995*	*May 1999*	*Project under way*	*To be initiated (expected duration of work: one year, base year: 1994)*	*To be initiated (expected duration of work: one year)*	✓	Proposed	
Ethiopia	*5 Apr 1994*		*Project under way*			✓		
Fiji	25 Feb 1993		Ongoing/PICCAP (expected duration of work: 3 years)	Ongoing (as part of PICCAP, expected duration of work: 1997-1999)	Ongoing (expected duration of work: 1997-1999)			
Gabon	21 Jan 1998							
Gambia	*10 Jun 1994*	*June 1999*	*Ongoing*	*Completed (March 1994, base year: 1993)*	*To be initiated (expected duration of work: one year)*	✓	*Established*	*Established*

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Party	Date of ratification	Indicated date of submission of national communication	Status of preparation of national communication			Institutional arrangements		
			General status	Greenhouse gas inventory	General description of steps	National focal point	Climate change committee	Expert technical team
Georgia	29 Jul 1994	January 1999	Ongoing	Ongoing (expected date of completion: November 1998, base year: 1990)	Ongoing (July 1998)	✓	Established	Established
Ghana	6 Sep 1995	1998	Ongoing	Ongoing			Established	Established
Grenada	11 Aug 1994		Project under preparation					
Guatemala	15 Dec 1995		Ongoing					
Guinea	*7 May 1993*		*Project under way (expected duration of work: 2 years)*	*To be initiated*	*Completed (Feb-May 1997)*	✓	*Established*	*Proposed*
Guinnea-Bissau	*27 Oct 1995*		*Project under way*			✓		
Guyana	29 Aug 1994		Ongoing	Ongoing (expected date of completion: 1999)	To be initiated (expected duration of work: 18 months)		Established	Established
Haiti	*25 Sep 1996*		*Project under way*	*To be initiated*	*To be initiated*		*Proposed*	*Proposed*
Honduras	19 Oct 1995		Ongoing			✓		
India	1 Nov 1993		Project under preparation	Ongoing				Established
Indonesia	23 Aug 1994		Ongoing	Completed (May 1996, base year: 1990)	Ongoing	✓	Established	Established
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	18 Jul 1996		Ongoing			✓		
Israel	4 Jun 1996	July 1998	Ongoing	Ongoing	Completed (June 1997)		Established	Established
Jamaica	6 Jan 1995		Ongoing (expected duration of work: 2 years)	To be initiated (expected duration of work: 2 years)	To be initiated (expected duration of work: 2 years)		Established	
Jordan	12 Nov 1993	Submission made in March 1997	First national communication finalized	Finalized (base year: 1994)			Established	Established
Kazakhstan	17 May 1995	15 August 1998	Ongoing	Completed (1996, base year: 1990)	Ongoing (expected date of completion: 15 August 1998	✓	Proposed	Established
Kenya	30 Aug 1994	July 1998	Project under preparation	Ongoing (expected date of completion: 30 May 1998, base year: 1990)	Ongoing (expected duration of work: 9 months)	✓	Established	Proposed

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Party	Date of ratification	Indicated date of submission of national communication	Status of preparation of national communication			Institutional arrangements		
			General status	Greenhouse gas inventory	General description of steps	National focal point	Climate change committee	Expert technical team
Kiribati	*7 Feb 1995*		*Ongoing/PICCAP (expected duration of work: 3 years)*	*Completed (December 1997, base year: 1990)* *Ongoing (expected date of completion: 1999, base year: 1994)*	*To be initiated (expected duration of work: 3 years)*		*Established*	*Established*
Kuwait	28 Dec 1994					✓		
Lao People's Democratic Republic	*4 Jan 1995*	*31 Dec 1998*	*Ongoing*	*Ongoing (expected date of completion: June 1998, base year: 1990)*	*Ongoing (expected date of completion: 31 December 1998)*	✓	*Established*	*Established*
Lebanon	15 Dec 1994	March 1999	Ongoing	Completed (May 1998)	Ongoing (expected date of completion: March 1999)	✓	Established	Established
Lesotho	*7 Feb 1995*	*December 1998*	*Ongoing*	*Completed (April 1998)*	*Ongoing (expected date of completion: December 1998)*	✓	*Established*	*Established*
Malawi	*21 Apr 1994*		*Ongoing*				*Proposed*	
Malaysia	13 Jul 1994	November 1998	Ongoing	Ongoing (expected date of completion: September 1998, base year: 1990)	Ongoing (expected date of completion: early 1999)		Established	Established
Maldives	*9 Nov 1992*	*1998*	*Ongoing*	*Ongoing (project should last 4 years)*	*Ongoing (project should last 4 years)*	✓	*Established*	*Established*
Mali	*28 Dec 1994*	*Dec 1998*	*Ongoing*	*Completed (April 1998, base year: 1990)*	*Ongoing (expected date of completion: May 1998)*	✓	*Established*	*Established*
Malta	17 Mar 1994		To be initiated (expected duration of work: 3 months)	To be initiated (expected duration of work: 3 months)	To be initiated (expected duration of work: 3 months)			
Marshall Islands	8 Oct 1992	February 2001	Ongoing/ PICCAP (expected duration of work: 3 years)	Ongoing (expected date of completion: September 1998)	To be initiated (expected duration of work: end of PICCAP)		Established	
Mauritania	*20 Jan 1994*	*July 1999*	*Ongoing*				*Proposed*	*Proposed*

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Party	Date of ratification	Indicated date of submission of national communication	Status of preparation of national communication			Institutional arrangements		
			General status	Greenhouse gas inventory	General description of steps	National focal point	Climate change committee	Expert technical team
Mauritius	4 Sep 1992	30 June 1998	Ongoing	Completed (31 October 1996, base year: 1990) Completed (15 January 1998, base year: 1995)	Ongoing (expected date of completion: 30 June 1998)	✓	Established	Established
Mexico	11 Mar 1993	Submission made in December 1997	First national communication finalized (May 1997) Second national communication ongoing (expected date of completion: December 1998)	Finalized (September 1995, base year: 1990)	Finalized Ongoing (for Second national communication, expected date of completion: December 1998)	✓	Established	Established
Micronesia (Federated States of)	18 Nov 1993	Submission made in December 1997	First national communication finalized	Finalized (February 1995, base year: 1990) Ongoing (base year: 1994)	Finalized			
Mongolia	30 Sep 1993		Project under preparation (expected duration of work: 6 to 9 months)	Completed (December 1997, base year: 1990)	To be initiated (expected duration of work: 14 months)		Proposed	Established
Morocco	28 Dec 1995	Apr. 2000	Project under preparation			✓		
Mozambique	*25 Aug 1995*	*October 1999*	*Project under way (expected duration of work: 24 months)*	*Ongoing (expected date of completion: 30 June 1998 base year: 1990)*	*To be initiated (expected duration of work: 24 months)*	✓	*Proposed*	*Established*
Myanmar	*25 Nov 1994*		*Ongoing*	*Ongoing*		✓		
Namibia	16 May 1995	1998	Ongoing					
Nauru	11 Nov 1993		Ongoing/PICCAP (expected duration of work: 3 years)	Ongoing (as part of PICCAP, expected duration of work: 1997-1999)	Ongoing (expected duration of work: 1997-1999)			
Nepal	*2 May 1994*		*Project under way (expected duration of work: 2 years)*	*Ongoing*		✓		
Nicaragua	31 Oct 1995		Project under way (expected duration of work: 2 years)	*To be initiated*	*To be initiated* (expected duration of work: 3 years)		Established	

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			General status	Greenhouse gas inventory	General description of steps	National focal point	Climate change committee	Expert technical team
Niger	*25 Jul 1995*		*Project under way (expected duration of work: 2 years)*	*To be initiated (expected duration of work: 2 years)*	*To be initiated (expected duration of work: 2 years)*	✓	Established	Established
Nigeria	29 Aug 1994	1998	Project under way (expected duration of work: 2 years)	Ongoing (expected date of completion: 1998)		✓	Established	Established
Niue	28 Feb 1996	August 1999	Ongoing					
Oman	8 Feb 1995		Ongoing	Completed (November 1996) draft final report	Ongoing	✓	Established	
Pakistan	1 Jun 1994	August 1998	Ongoing	Completed (June 1997, base year: 1990)	Ongoing			
Panama	23 May 1995		Project under way (expected duration of work: 2 years)	To be initiated (expected duration of work: 2 years)	To be initiated (expected duration of work: 2 years)	✓	Proposed	Established
Papua New Guinea	16 Mar 1993		Ongoing					
Paraguay	24 Feb 1994		Project under preparation (expected duration of work: 1 year)	To be initiated	To be initiated	✓	Proposed	Proposed
Peru	7 Jun 1993	October 1998	Ongoing	Ongoing (base year: 1994)	Ongoing	✓	Established	Established
Philippines	2 Aug 1994		Ongoing	Ongoing	To be initiated	✓	Established	Established
Qatar	18 Apr 1996							
Republic of Korea	14 Dec 1993	Submission made in February 1998	First national communication finalized	Finalized (base year: 1990)	Finalized	✓	Proposed	Proposed
Republic of Moldova	9 Jun 1995		Ongoing			✓	Proposed	Proposed
Saint Kitts and Nevis	7 Jan 1993		Project under way	To be initiated	To be initiated		Proposed	Proposed
Saint Lucia	14 Jun 1993	March 1999	Project under way			✓	Established	
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	7 Jan 1993		Ongoing	Ongoing	Ongoing			
Samoa	*29 Nov 1994*		Ongoing/PICCAP (expected duration of work: 3 years)	Ongoing (as part of PICCAP, expected duration of work: 1997-1999)	Ongoing (expected duration of work: 1997-1999)	✓	*Established*	*Proposed*
San Marino	28 Oct 1994							

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Saudi Arabia	28 Dec 1994							
Senegal	17 Oct 1994	Submission made in December 1997	First national communication finalized Second national communication ongoing	Finalized (base year: 1994)	Finalized	✓	Established	Established
Seychelles	22 Sep 1992	First half of 1998	Ongoing	Completed (July 1997, submitted December 1997, base year:1995)	Ongoing	✓	Established	
Sierra Leone	*22 Jun 1995*		*Project under way*					
Singapore	29 May 1997							
Solomon Islands	*28 Dec 1994*		Ongoing/PICCAP (expected duration of work: 3 years)	Ongoing (as part of PICCAP, expected duration of work: 1997-1999)	Ongoing (expected duration of work: 1997-1999)	✓		
South Africa	29 Aug 1997	Two years after the funding of GEF project	Project under way	Ongoing		✓	Established	Proposed
Sri Lanka	23 Nov 1993	1998	Ongoing	Ongoing	To be initiated	✓		
Sudan	*19 Nov 1993*	*October 1999*	*Ongoing*	*To be initiated*	*To be initiated*			
Suriname	14 Oct 1997		Project under preparation			✓		
Swaziland	7 Oct 1996		Ongoing (expected duration of work: 2 years)	To be initiated (expected duration of work: 6 months)	To be initiated (expected duration of work: 9 months)	✓	Proposed	Proposed
Syrian Arab Republic	4 Jan 1996					✓		
Thailand	28 Dec 1994		Project under way	Ongoing	Ongoing (expected duration of work: 6 months)	✓	Established	Established
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	28 Jan 1998							
Togo	*8 Mar 1995*		*Project under way (expected duration of work: 14 months)*	*To be initiated (expected duration of work: 14 months)*	*To be initiated (expected duration of work: 15 months)*	✓	*Proposed*	*Proposed*
Trinidad and Tobago	24 Jun 1994		Project under way			✓		

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Party	Date of ratification	Indicated date of submission of national communication	Status of preparation of national communication			Institutional arrangements		
			General status	Greenhouse gas inventory	General description of steps	National focal point	Climate change committee	Expert technical team
Tunisia	15 Jul 1993	May 1999	Ongoing	Completed (May 1998, base year: 1994)	To be initiated		Established	Established
Turkmenistan	5 Jun 1995	30 Sept 1999	Ongoing	Ongoing (expected date of completion: 31 July 1998, base year: 1994)	Ongoing (expected date of completion: 30 September 1998)	✓	Established	Established
Tuvalu	*26 Oct 1993*		Ongoing/PICCAP (expected duration of work: 3 years)	Ongoing (as part of PICCAP, expected duration of work: 1997-1999)	Ongoing (expected duration of work: 1997-1999)	✓		
Uganda	*8 Sep 1993*		*Project under way*			✓		
United Arab Emirates	29 Dec 1995							
United Republic of Tanzania	*17 Apr 1996*		*Ongoing*	*Completed (1994)*	*Ongoing*		*Established*	*Established*
Uruguay	18 Aug 1994	Submission made in October 1997	First national communication finalized	Finalized (March 1997, base year: 1990); Ongoing (expected date of completion: April 1998, base year: 1994)	Finalized	✓	Established	Established
Uzbekistan	20 Jun 1993	March 1999	Ongoing	Ongoing (expected date of completion: October 1998, base year: 1990)	Ongoing (expected date of completion: October 1998)	✓	Established	Established
Vanuatu	*25 Mar 1993*		*Ongoing/PICCAP (expected duration of work: 3 years)*	*Ongoing (as part of PICCAP, expected duration of work: 1997-1999)*	*Ongoing (expected duration of work: 1997-1999)*	✓		
Venezuela	28 Dec 1994		Project under preparation	Completed (May 1996, base year: 1990)		✓		
Viet Nam	16 Nov 1994		Project under preparation	Completed (March 1996)	Ongoing		Established	
Yemen	*21 Feb 1996*	*August 2000*	*Ongoing*	*Ongoing (base year: 1990)*	*To be initiated*			
Yugoslavia	3 Sep 1997							
Zambia	*28 May 1993*	*April 1999*	*Ongoing*	*Ongoing*	*Ongoing*		*Established*	*Established*

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Party	Date of ratification	Indicated date of submission of national communication	Status of preparation of national communication			Institutional arrangements		
			General status	Greenhouse gas inventory	General description of steps	National focal point	Climate change committee	Expert technical team
Zimbabwe	3 Nov 1992	Submission made in May 1998	First national communication finalized	Finalized (March 1998, base year 1994)	Finalized	✓	Established	Established

Note: PICCAP = Pacific Island Climate Change Assistance Programme

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